

Thi saa har Gud elsket
Verden, at han gav sin
Søn, den enbaarne, for at
hver den som tror paa
ham, ikke skal fortæbes,
men have evigt Liv.

HYRDEN

Jeg er den gode hyrde. Joh. 10, 11.

en Rev. Arnold K.
mar 31
som tror paa ham
ikke dømt; den som
ror, er allerede dømt,
han ikke har troet
Guds enbaarne Søns

11te aargang.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, November, 1935

Nr. 11

22nde Søndag efter Trefoldigheds
Fest

Tekst: Matt. 18:23-35

DEN TILGIVENDE AAND

Vor store Gud gjør store under;
Det største har han gjort mod mig
Den dag kan kasted' mine synder
I naade havet bag om sig;
Og mig udvalgte til sin brud.
O, hvilket under av min Gud!

Hovedtanken i vor tekst er tilgivelse. De Jødiske Rabbiner erklærede at man behøvede ikke at tilgive sin neste mer end tre gange. Og det var paa dette punkt Peter spurgte sig for — han gikk endog til syv gange, nemlig fuldkomnens tallet, men mener, at der dog maatte være grense for tilgivelse. Det er jo himmeriges rike, og ikke den verdslige øvrighet Herren her har i tanke. Dermed vil vi betrakte tilgivelse — først fra Guds side og dermed menneskenes side.

I. Tilgivelse fra Guds side.

Hvad er grundlaget for tilgivelse fra Guds side? "Dersom vi bekjender vore synder, er han trofast og retferdig, saa han forlader os synderne og renser os fra al uretferdighet." I Joh. 1:9. Gud ved om vor synd førend vi bekjender den, men bekjendelsen har Gud satt midt i frelses veien. Dersom vi vil gaa "korsets vei" maa vi gaa "bekjendelsens vei". Dette er ofte en haard vei for den gamle Adam — for kjødet, thi synden (gjalden) er saa stor — ti tusinde talenter — en endeløs gjald. Da synden stiger op for sjale øiet som et stort fjeld, sukker man under byrden, og tænker at Gud kan aldrig tilgive saa meget.

Min ven — føler du dig nedtrykt paa grund av synd saa bekjend den for Gud og sat dig ned og betank Herrens ord: Rom. 5:20: "Men loven kom til, for at faldet skulde blive stort; men hvor synden blev stor, blev naaden endda større." Naaden? Vil Gud tilgive blot av naade? Ja, det er just slik Gud gjør det.

Kunde vi bare faa arbeide for Gud en stund, saa kanske gjælden kunde bli ubetalt gradvis? Hvormed skulde vi betale da selv den bedste gjerning er plettet af synd? Arbeide? Nei! Gud gjør det ikke slik. "Altsaa; ligesom eens Fald blev til Fordømmelse for alle mennesker — (for dig ogsaa), — saaledes blev ogsaa ens retfærdige Gjerning til Livsens Retfærdiggjørelse for alle mennesker;" (ogsaa for dig). Rom. 5:18.

Naar synden er bekjendt — v. 26 — "Vær langmodig med mig" — vær mig arme synder naadig — saa finder vi at han er trofast og retfærdig saa han forlader os synderne og Jesu, hans Søns, blod renser os fra al synd.

I vers 27 møter vi da Guds frie synds forladende naade, der stemmer ene fra Guds inderlige kjærlighed. Dets virkeliggjørelse finde vi i Golgathas kors, hvor Gud gav sin egen Søn til en gjenløsningsbetaling for vor gjæld.

Salig er var den som er kommen i besiddelse av denne store naade i Jesus Kristus formedelst blodet.

II. Tilgivelse fra menneskenes side.

Er tilgivelse fra menneskenes side nødvendigt til salighet? Tjeneren i v. 24 fik tilgivelse ifra sin herre ifølge v. 27. Men da kongen fik høre at tjeneren ikke vilde tilgive sin medtjener det lille (hundrede peninge i modsatning til ti tusinde talenter) blev han vred og overgav tjeneren til dem som piner, indtil han betalte alt det han var ham skyldig, v. 34.

Hvor stor en modsatning. Tank hvor haard det hjerte endnu var. Kristus viser os modsætningen, det afskyelige sind, der trods saa megen af Gud skjænket naade viser haardhet og mangel paa naade overfor

Bricelyn, Minn., Oct., 1935.

To the Norwegian Lutheran Church
of Canada,

Grace and peace!

When you on July 13th, unanimously elected me President of your District, and sent an urgent message requesting me to accept the position, it came as a distinct surprise to me, and that for several reasons which I need not enumerate here. At that time I did not see how I could accept. However, upon being asked to take time to think the matter over carefully, I could not refuse to do so, since you were willing to wait for my answer.

In order to think the problem over carefully it was necessary for me to gather such information as I could in regard to your reasons for sending me so urgent a call. As these reasons became apparent to me, at least in part, I found it increasingly difficult to say no. For the call seemed to point the way of present duty, and the way of duty is the way of God for us. When this call becomes so insistent as to overrule personal considerations which may point another way, it must be accepted. I have there-

fore decided to accept the call which you extended to me, and I do so hereby in the name of the Triune God.

It is unnecessary for me to burden you with any discussion of the reasons which made it difficult for me at first to come to this conclusion. But I do want to say that it was not due to any lack appreciation of the confidence and personal goodwill which you have shown me. And I want to say further that I shall return to the work gladly, first of all because I believe it is the will of God for me at this time, but also because of your goodwill and confidence.

You will be glad to know, and possibly at some appropriate time you will want to give expression to your appreciation of the fact, that my congregations have in a spirit of Christian cooperation given me a two year's leave of absence in order that I may serve you as District President during this time.

It is my purpose to give my full time to the duties of the office beginning January 1st, 1936.

Let us together pray God that He add His blessings to our united efforts in building His Kingdom in Canada.

Yours in Christ,

J. R. Lavik.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT — OCTOBER 31, 1935

DISTRICT	RAISED Oct. 31, 1934	AT RAISED AT Oct. 31, 1935	1935 APPOR.	STATUS	Percent Raised
EASTERN.	103,813.36	100,133.23	226,625.00	126,491.77	44.1%
No. Minn.	50,127.96	51,453.70	91,277.00	42,130.00	56.0%
IOWA	50,518.60	52,562.15	115,063.00	62,500.85	45.6%
SO. DAK.	39,574.06	34,285.66	87,369.00	53,083.34	39.2%
NO. DAK.	32,026.73	32,663.66	84,875.00	52,211.34	38.4%
ROCKY MT.	6,868.26	8,084.13	10,500.00	2,415.87	76.9%
PACIFIC	10,019.87	10,350.51	22,750.00	12,399.49	45.4%
CANADA	2,712.09	2,960.14	7,875.00	4,914.86	37.5%
NO. DIST.	445.93	156.10			
LUTH. STUD.	1,515.38	1,313.19			
BY FUNDS					
EDUCATION	91,043.46	92,922.19	262,000.00	169,077.81	35.4%
HOME MISS.	107,503.47	104,549.27	225,000.00	120,450.73	46.4%
FOR. MISS.	114,762.23	113,833.45	250,000.00	136,166.55	45.5%
CHARITIES	62,914.54	64,917.92	143,000.00	78,082.08	45.3%
GEN. FUND	17,505.29	18,181.91			
	393,728.99	394,404.74	880,000.00	485,595.26	44.8%

On October 28th, \$385,199.81, or 43.7%, had reached the treasury of our Church. \$489,800.19 remains to be raised during the last three months of this fiscal year. We have a great task before us but this is possible if every congregation and every individual will do his part during these remaining three months.

The above statement of October 31st shows the status of the 1935. Ingathering as compared with 1934. You will note that we held \$675.75 more this year than on the corresponding date in 1934. On November 1st, however, we had \$449.07 less than a year ago. From October 1st to November 1st the Church raised \$7,274.33 less than during the corresponding period in 1934. \$485,595.26, or 55.2%, is the balance to be raised in less than three months. This cannot be done by depending upon the others but only that everyone of us, under God, do our part.

—A. J. Bergsaker.
Gen. Field Supt.

andre.

Vi fælder dom over os selv paa slik en maate. Vi læser i Matt. 6:15, "Men dersom I ikke forlader menneskene deres overtrædelser, da skal heller ikke eders Fader forlade eders overtrædelser." Her finder vi den utilgivende aand med stor dom væltet ind over sig. Dersom du ikke tilgiver di neste, saa tilgiver jeg ikke dig, siger Gud. Lad os nøie betrakte hvad Jesus lærte os at bede i ordene "Forlat os vor skyld, som vi forlater vore skyldnere."

Lad mig frembringe en illustration som en av mine lærere frembrakte i denne forbindelse.

Det var da han var prest. Flere sjæle var samlet omkring alter ringen i kirken for at delta i nadværen. Pastoren la merke til to kvinder som var uvenner. Den ene hadde knælet ned, og den anden kom og knælte ned ved siden av hende. Pludselig rei-

ste hun sig for at finde et andet sted — hendes var en utilgivende aand. Presten gav midlerne til hende som vedblev at knæle, men holdt det borte ifra den anden fordi hun vilde ikke tilgive. Hvorfor gjorde presten noget saa grueligt? Fordi han var en ærlig sjæl, og vilde ikke være med at vælte mere dom over kvindens sjæl.

Den sjæl som ikke tilgiver, tilgiver ikke Gud, og tilslut bliver overgivet til en evig pine — evig forbandelse.

Bed Gud at tilgive dig og bed at han maa give dig en tilgivende aand.

Kanske een som læser disse linjer finder sig skyldig, og kanske den der syndet imot er nu død. Hvad da? Dersom den Helligaand har faaet dig der hvor du gjerne vil tilgive, og ydmygeligt bekjender dette frem for Guds naade trone, da tilgiver Gud dig og du er friere end ornen der flyver i det blaa.

En stor velsignelse følger enhver

tilgivende sjæl igjennem livet. Lad os ikke være onde tjenere, men gode og tro tjenere.

Venner, lad os gaa frem tjenende Gud med Kristi sindelag. "Lad dette sind være i eder, som og var i Kristus Jesus." Amen.

B. Ostrem.

PRESTESTYRT KIRKE

"Lutheraneren"s redaktør, i nummer 32, behandler anklager mot vort samfund som gaar ut paa at det er en pretestyrt kirke. Anklager kommer fra visse hold, og til tider med ond hensigt. Saa skulde ikke være. Men redaktøren nævner at ved vort sidste fællesmøte var der 608 prester mot 475 delegater. Altsaa ved dette møte er det selvsagt at prestene styrte, det vil si, hadde majoriteten. Men som redaktøren sier, saa skulde det ikke være; ti menigheten kan ha nær to ganger saa mange repræsentanter som prester ved møtene.

"Hvad skal nu et samfundsmøte under saadanne omstændigheter gjøre?" spør redaktøren. Vi ventet svar. Kunde ikke noget gjøres for a rette paa dette forhold? Det hjælper ikke stillingen at stemple al kritik som sludder. Heller ikke hjælper det paa den anden side bare at kritisere; ti naar det gjøres i ond aand skader det baade det som kritiseres og den som kritiserer.

Hvorfor er stillingen slik ved vore aarsmøter? Og kan noget gjøres for at rette paa den?

Stillingen er slik fordi det er for kostbart for menighetene at sende stræver med at opholde det lokale arbeide, samt gjør hvad den kan for at støtte samfundets missioner, skoler, barmhjertighetsanstalter, pension, osv., saa har den ikk raad til at betale ut 40—50 dollars til reiseutgifter for sin delegat.

Naar vi ser efter i Aarsberetningen for 1934 merker vi at av 475 delegater tilstede ved aarsmøtet var 371, eller næsten 80%, fra distriktene nær Minneapolis. Altsaa 104 delegater fra de andre 5 distrikter. Og av disse 104 var der 5 fra Rocky Mt., 10 fra Pacific, og 7 fra Canada, nemlig 22 fra de 3 distrikter.

Hvorfor var der ikke flere? Var ikke disse distrikter likesaa interessert i vort samfund som de andre? Jo, men distansen gjorde det umulig. Og paa grund av saadanne forhold blir det som det er. Og vort samfund anklages (og derfor til en viss grad med rette) for pretestyre.

Hvad kan gjøres? "Hvad kan nu et samfundsmøte under saadanne forhold gjøre?" spør redaktøren. En ting kunde møtet ha gjort, og det bør gjøres, nemlig: At faa igang det system at delegatenes reiseutgifter utlignes. Da vilde det være mulig for menigheten at sende delegater.

Saa sier nogen: "Det gaar ikke an for os som samfund at ta saadan bestemmelse; det maa overlates til delegatene som er tilstede." Ved vore samfundsmøter tar vi bestemmelser angaaende budgett og andre viktige saker, og sier at dermed binder menighetene sig til at utføre det som der antages; men naar det kommer til det at menighetens repræsentants reiseutgifter til disse møter skal utlignes saa det blir retfærdig for alle, da har vi som samfundsmøte ingen autoritet. Det er merkelig logik.

Vi vil haabe at der blir bestemmelser tat angaaende dette snarest mulig, endog før eller ved vort næste fællesmøte saa at delegatenes reiseutgifter utlignes. Da vil der bli den rette representasjon fra menighetene.

Vort samfund er en menighetstyrt kirke, som redaktøren sier; og la os verne om den som saadan, saa vil der ikke bli anledning til kritik om pretestyre.

G. J. O.

HYRDEN

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"Hyrden i hvert hjem." La det nu bli slagordet utover i hver menighet. Snart blir det Jul, gavernes tid, igjen. La Hyrden faa plads paa listen av gaver. Et aars subskription paa Hyrden til en slegtning eller ven, vil være en verdifull gave. La maalet bli et blad paa 8 sider ved begyndelsen av det nye aar.

Prestestyret kirke. Under denne overskrift la vi trykke fra "Lutheraneren" et indlæg som sterkt fremholder hvad Aarsmøtet i Camrose besluttet henstillet til menighetene for overveieelse nemlig: "Likelig fordeling av delegaters reiseutgifter til aarsmøtene." Glem ikke at ta den sak op til behandling i de forskjellige menigheter. —U.

Foragt.

(Baade i kirke og stat findes der megen foragt ja til og med ringeagt for sandhet og ret. Ofte kommer den oprigtige sjælesorger til at spørge sig selv: kanskje jeg burde lempe lidt paa sandhet og ret og snu kaapen efter veiret og derved faa mere personlig gunst og aktelse?" I nr. 44 av Lutheraneren kom jeg til at læse følgende der burde gi os Opmuntning under foragt. —U.)

"Foragt er en langt sundere føde end berømmelse skjønt den er meget haardere at fordøie. Verdens uvenskap, dens berømmelse skadeligere end dens dadel, dens sødme mere usund end dens bitterhet. Verdens venskap drar mange fra Gud, men dens fiendskap driver mange til ham. Med skjemt og smiger fører den mange til helvede, men jager andre til himmelen med haan og forfølgelse. —Schiver."

E. O. Elton faat Hjemlov

Edward O. Elton av Søndre Immanuel Mgh. syd fra Cadillac, Sask., døde mandag 30te Sept. Og vær begravet torsdag Oct. 3 under stor deltagelse. Idet han var en av vore gamle trofaste venner blir han savnet av alle.

Elton var født i Nanstad, Norge 1863. Kom til Minn. som 3 aars gut. Livde mest av sin tid ved Norwegian Grove, Minn. hvor han ogsaa blev gift med Anna Kopperud. De var velsignede med 11 barn, av hvilke alle lever undtalt John som døde 1934.

Mr. og Mrs. Elton feiret sit guldbryllup sidste april. Elton med sin famelie har levet sydøst fra Admiral siden 1913. Han har veret med Aa stifte og opholde Søndre Immanuel menighet. Og hans bøn før han døde var at Gud maatte faa lede vort folk saa at de blev frelst. Gud velsigne hans minde. —G. J. Ostrem.

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Fra Arbeidsmarken Vor.

Saskatoon-Kreds-Møte.

Gud gav os deilig veir som vi samlet til kreds-møte i St. Johannes menighet, Pastor C. L. Jothens kald, nær Viscount, Sask., den 2—27 okt. Møte abbnedes paa Fredags formiddag ved prædike av Pastor J. A. Berge, kredsens formand. Tema som handledes under møte var "Naadegavernes brug i Menigheden." Det var indledet paa Fredag eftermiddag av L. Walstrom. Han peket paa det at alle gaver hørte menigheden til og skulde bruges av den.

Lægmand og prester tog del i handlingen av tema og vær session blev godt nyttet til oppbyggelse for alle. Vi skulde bare ønske der hadde vært flere tilstede ved disse første sessioner.

Forretningen møte blev holdt paa Lørdags eftermiddag. Iblandt andre ting blev den følgende Resolution enstemmig antatt:

Saskatoon Kreds, samlet til kreds-møte i St. Johannes menighet, Viscount, Sask., okt. 25—26—27, henstiller til alle vore prester og menigheter i Saskatchewan at have vor skole i Outlook i kjær erindring.

Skolens hensigt er denne: at styrke og berede vor ungdom til fremtidig arbeide i vore menigheter; staa prester og menigheter bi i deres arbeid for Gud; dette er hensigten med skolens arbeide, vilde vi, denne kreds, bede kredsens prester minde sine respektive menigheter om hvad som foregaar ved skolen. Dette ikke alene for financial støtte, men meget mer for god forstaaelse og tillid, især ved forbon og aandelig støtte."

—Oscar Berg.

Norsk-engelsk Gudstjeneste med Nadver blev holdt Søndags morn. Pastor Berge og Pastor Jothens forretdede ved alteret og Pastor Hjortaa prædiket paa norsk og Lokensgard paa Engelsk. Kirken var fuld for alle møtter paa Søndag. Ved eftermiddag sessionen talte Prof. K. Bergsagel om Outlook College. Aftenssessionen bestod av et program av sang og tale.

—B. O. Lokensgard, secretary.

MISSIONS FEST

North Prairie menighet, past. S. Theo. Severtson's kald, hadde missions fest søndag den 29de September. Past. T. J. Severtson fra Eagle Grove, Iowa holdt missions præken. Offeret til samfundets gjøremaal beløb sig til \$425.00. Resultatet av disse missions fester er altid opmuntrende naar man gjør en grundig forberedelse for dem.

REV. HOFF HAD COMPLETE
LIFE IN MINISTRYFormer Pastor of County Buried
from His First Church

Rev. Lars Martinus Andreas Hoff was born in Borgund, N. Søndmore, Bergen, Norway, February 13, 1852. He attended the public school from 1865 until 1868 and the Latin school at Aalesund. During the years 1869 and 1870 he attended a seminary at Tromsø, and from 1872 to 1874 a Latin school at Heltsbergs. Coming to America in 1874, he attended Lutheran college in 1874 and 1875, receiving the B. A. degree, and the Concordia seminary at St. Louis from 1875 to 1878. He was ordained into the ministry in 1879 on a call from the home mission to take up work near Madison. He organized the Min-

nesota Valley, Borgund and Madison Lutheran congregations. He served as pastor of the two first named churches and Our Savior's church in Baxter, retiring from the ministry in 1902. He lived on his farm in Cerro Gordo until 1920, when he moved to Minneapolis, where he lived until his death. He died Monday, October 14, at 11:50 p. m., leaving his wife, six sons, four daughters, 11 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. The surviving children are: Alfred, Hjalmer, Mrs. J. L. Young (Lisa), Hagny, Alfreda of Minneapolis; Mrs. Laura Frederickson of Montevideo; Ludvig of Entrance, Alberta; Frithjof and Wilhelm of Madison; Rev. Ernest Hoff, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Caesar preceded his father in death in March, 1910.

Funeral services were held in the Borgund Lutheran church last Saturday afternoon, and the services were in charge of Rev. L. O. Onerheim. The sermon was given by Rev. G. S. Froiland of Dawson. The church was packed to overflowing with sorrowing relatives and friends. Five of his sons and his son-in-law were the pallbearers. The Viking men's chorus from Madison sang two songs at the services.

Rev. A. Haugland of Hazel Run brought greetings from his congregations, and Rev. L. O. Onerheim spoke in behalf of Rev. Hoff's former congregations, while Rev. Ernest Hoff, a son from Moose Jaw, Canada, spoke in behalf of the family and thanked all for their kindness to his father during his life.

Rev. G. S. Froiland spoke in behalf of the Lac qui Parle pastoral conference, Rev. J. E. H. Akre of Clarkfield spoke in behalf of the Lac qui Parle circuit, Rev. Joseph Tetlie spoke in behalf of the Madison Lutheran church and the Lutheran normal school, for which Rev. Hoff did a great deal during its many years of service here. Rev. Hoff was instrumental in having the Lutheran normal school located here. He made a trip to Minneapolis especially to induce the Minneapolis and St. Louis railroad company to haul the material for the buildings without charge, which the company did. He also dedicated Ebenezer hospital.

Rev. E. S. Belgium of Appleton spoke in behalf of Luther college of Decorah, Iowa, of which Rev. Hoff was a graduate.

Dr. Kleven, president of the southern Minnesota district, conveyed by telegram his feeling of sorrow at the passing of Rev. Hoff, and Dr. A. J. Aasgaard, president of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, sent a letter expressing thanks to God and the family for the faithful services rendered the church by its departed pastor.

Besides the numerous and beautiful floral gifts, the sum of \$107 was given to missions in his memory.

The Borgund ladies' aid served refreshments in the church parlors to the bereaved family, the pastors and old-time friends after the services.

—E. E. Hoff.

WIDELY KNOWN PIONEER
FARMER SUCCUMBED TO
SUDDEN STROKE

On Saturday morning, Oct. 19, at his farm home four miles north of Camrose, Mr. L. E. Loveseth, one of the most highly respected pioneer residents of the community, was seized with a stroke from which he failed to rally, his death occurring on Sunday morning about nine o'clock. Mr. Loveseth was one of the outstanding Scandinavian settlers of this district and exemplified in his life those characteristics of good citizenship, thrift and industry for which the best sons of Norway are known — and which have made them such welcome settlers in western Canada. He would have celebrated his 68th, birthday on the 15th of next month. Mr. Loveseth had given little indication that his health might be impaired and the suddenness with which he was struck down came as a shock to his relatives and friends.

Sunday before last, while giving testimony in the church, he ended by singing an old Norwegian hymn voicing the longing of a child for its heavenly home, and those who heard

him could not but recall the incident this week. The words of the hymn were sung during the service which was held at two o'clock today. Rev. Nels Carlson officiated and his address was given in the Norwegian language with the text based on Genesis 50-24: "And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die; and God will surely visit you and bring you out of this land unto the land which he swore to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob." Mr. Carlson pointed out that Joseph had experienced the fulfilment of God's promises and at his death he encouraged his brethren to believe that God would fulfil his promises where they were concerned. Like Joseph, the deceased had laid hold on the promises of God for his own safety and had ever recommended faith in His Word to his fellowmen. It is the privilege of every individual to lay hold on these promises which are the yea and amen in Christ Jesus; the speaker said. As Joseph had had the assurance that God would visit his brethren so the late Mr. Loveseth had been confident God would visit his dear ones whom he had placed in the hands of the Master.

The Scripture reading from the 34th chapter of the Book of Deuteronomy was read by M. A. H. Solheim. The church choir sang the beautiful hymn, "Beautiful Saviour," unaccompanied under the direction of Mr. Harold Ronning. The soloist for the impressive and very largely attended service was Gudrun Ness Ronning, who sang the hymn, "Behold, a Host," her accompaniment being played by Mr. Chester Ronning. "Jesus Saviour Pilot Me" was the selection sung by the male quartette (Messrs. E. Schønning, Ralph Dahl, Harold Ronning and E. M. Bergh).

The choir sang the hymn, "Rock of Ages," while advancing to the choir loft.

Mr. Chester Ronning principal of the Camrose Lutheran College, eloquently reviewed the life of "this remarkable man." His entire life constituted a challenge particularly to the young people and only those who had passed through the experience which had come to Mr. Loveseth in his young manhood could hope to take his place. Had Mr. Loveseth been permitted to leave a message, Mr. Ronning felt it would have been voiced in the words, "Unless ye are born again, ye cannot have a part in the kingdom of heaven." It was while on the sea on his way to the new land that the vision had come to him and he had then decided to dedicate his life to the service of the Master. No friend had ever been more loyal or more true, Mr. Ronning said, speaking from personal friendship with the deceased.

In reviewing the events of "a very rich life," Mr. Loveseth was referred to as a hardy pioneer. He left Norway at the age of twenty-one, having had his early education at a town near Trondhjem. He first settled in South Dakota in 1888 near the home of his relative. Senator Norbeck. His marriage to Miss Martha Groseth gave him a true companion whose co-operation had made possible many of the undertakings Mr. Loveseth set for himself. After several years spent in South Dakota, Mr. Loveseth's pioneering spirit directed him to western Canada and in 1911 he settled in his district, four miles north of the town, where his farm buildings provide a well-known landmark. Their spacious home has been open on many occasions to a score or more of guests here from outside points to attend church meetings and conventions. Mr. Loveseth's keen interest in farming was not his only interest. Mr. Ronning pointed out in sketching the tremendous interest Mr. Loveseth had manifested in the church, the state and the community. His varied activities and wide interests had embraced membership in the Camrose Board of Trade, in the United Farmers of Alberta, in the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (the rights of humanity were placed before the rights of property by Mr. Loveseth, Mr. Ronning remarked). The work of the church had been foremost with him. He was a trustee of the congregation, and often went as delegate to the conventions where his strong opinions and deep conviction

tions were always voiced without bitterness. He was secretary of the Inner-Mission for many years, finally resigning because he felt opportunity was offered to younger people to take their part in church work. He was a study champion of the activity of laymen in the services of the church. The Foreign Mission field lay very close to his heart and Mr. Ronning revealed the fact that Mr. Loveseth had been an outstanding supporter of the mission in China in which his sister-in-law, Miss Ida Groseth, labored for so many years. He was a director of the Old People's Home at Bawlf and a director of the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute here, but of all his interests that of the Camrose Lutheran College was perhaps dearest to his heart, and in its organization and advancement he found scope for his energies. An outdoor man, and a man of action, he also had the passion of an artist for music, and never missed an opportunity to raise his voice in praise, while his appreciation of singing in others was most marked. In praying tribute to Mr. Loveseth, his friend and reviewer spoke of the serious loss to the community that had been occasioned by his passing, and which was indicated in the sketch given, emphasizing as it did the many ways the deceased had found to live according to his precepts.

The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Art Lewis, John Hanson, Ole Madison, Peter Borud, P. Paulson and E. M. Bergh.

Mr. Loveseth is survived by his wife, and one daughter, Mrs. E. L. Fowler, and four sons, Enoch of Edmonton; Jack and Alvin of Vancouver, and Grant, Camrose north. The children were all present for the funeral services, Jack and Alvin having come specially from the coast on being notified of their father's demise.

The beautiful floral tributes were from the family and numerous friends and neighbours.

Memorial Wreaths.

Memorial Wreaths to the Camrose Lutheran College, Church and Missions.

Interment was made in Camrose cemetery. A short service was conducted at the grave.

"Clipping" from the "Camrose Canadian."

OUTLOOK COLLEGE

Den 7de januar begynder vinter terminen ved Outlook College. Nye elever indskrives da i alle høje skole grader, likesom special klasser i sprog vil bli git til dem som maatte ønske det.

Vinter terminen ved Outlook College skulde serlig interessere: 1. Elever som har tat korrespondance kursus i høst, og finder korrespondance metoden utilfredsstillende; 2. elever som paa grund av høstarbeidet ikke hunde begynde i september, men som gjerne vilde forsøke at ta en hel grade paa seks maaneder; 3. elever som endnu mangler nogen fag, f. eks. sprog eller naturfag, i Grade XI eller Grade XII; 4. elever som har lyst at tilbringe vinteren ved en norsk-luthersk skole, for at studere de mest praktiske fag uten tanke paa eksamen i juni; 5. elever som interesserer sig for søndagsskole og ungdomsarbeide; 6. elever som er serlig interessert i musik og sang.

I høiskole avdelingen underviser fire lærere, som alle er universitetsutdannede med lang erfaring i skolearbeide. Skolen har bra utstyrte laboratorier og bibliotek. I franskundervisningen benyttes det saakaldte linguaphone system. Vedhjælp av gramofon rekorder lærer eleven at tale fransk saavelsom at læse det. Ved dette system kan man lære mere fransk paa ett aar end ellers paa tre.

Da begge internaterne benyttes, endskjønt søkningen er liten, saa er studenter bekvemmelighetene nu større og bedre end nogensinde.

Kostnaden er \$80. fra nyt aar til paaske (9de april). Denne pris indbefatter kost og losji, samt skolepenge. Skolens venner kan nu best hjelpe os ved at gjøre den kjendt blandt skolesøkende ungdom.

K. Bergsagel, Bestyrer.

Alt vel ved Outlook College.

Til de mange som med ængstelse spør om Outlook Colleges fremtid skal jeg senere skrive et mere utførlig brev. Nu vil jeg dog faa oplyse at omendskjønt elevantalet i aar er meget litet, bare 22, saa har vi dog nok til at holde fire lærere i travel virksomhet. De sidste aar har lært os at smaa elevflokker kan bli til like stor velsignelse for vor kirke som de store. Vi haaper dog vi skal faa flere elever efter jul. Dersom nogen av skolens venner vil gi os en hjælpende haand i aar saa kan det best gjøres ved at være os behjælpelig med at finde nye elever. Vor skole er desværre ikke kjendt nok blandt vort folk. Tidligere Outlook College elever kan gjøre mest for at avertere vor skole. Vore prestes og vore menighetsfolk maa ogsaa hjelpe os. Guds folk, gjør hvad I kan for vore skoler i vinter. "La os elske dem frem i vor bøn i vore barn."

K. Bergsagel.

OUTLOOK COLLEGE

On Sept. 20th, the Outlook College opened its doors to receive students for another year. Due to poor crops the enrollment has reached the lowest mark in the history of the institution but tho we are a mere handful of students, by the grace of God and a staunch faith in the Lutherans of this province, we hope to carry on and to reap benefits from this year together despite the fewness of our numbers.

Since Principal K. Bergsagel was in Minneapolis attending a meeting of the Executive of the Young People's Luther League, the students were welcomed by Mr. G. Moi. In his opening address in Chapel period, Mr. Moi gave the students, new and old some sound advice. He stressed that you get out of a school year exactly what you put into it and that because this was so he urged upon each to put all the energy and enthusiasm they could muster into their work and associations that the harvest which each reaped might be great.

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The Outlook College Luther League was organized on Sunday Sept. 28th, and the following officers were elected, President: Mr. John Precht. Secretary: Miss Evelyn Johnson. Treasurer: Mr. Carl Eilertson.

Every Sunday afternoon we hold our meetings, with the topic for the week being discussed by one or more of the students or teachers. After this there is a period for questions or further comment on the topic, which period proves both enlightening and interesting.

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We had as our visitor on Oct. 30 and 31st Dr. Lavik newly elected President of the Norwegian Lutheran Church in Canada. He was a most welcome and appreciated guest, doubly so as he left the College, in his chapel address a message of hope and inspiration. We hope that Dr. Lavik will find it possible to visit our school again in the near future.

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The Outlook College Choir has been organized under the direction of Mr. J. C. Carter. Most of the student body are interested members. We are sure, that under Mr. Carter's patient guidance our year of choir membership will be one of instruction and benefit to us all.

REPORT OF THE MOOSE JAW CIRCUIT CONVENTION, OCT. 4-6

The Moose Jaw circuit had its fall meeting October 4-6 at Bethany church in Macoun, Sask., where the Reverend Jacob Stoles is pastor. The opening sermon was preached by the local pastor Friday morning. In the afternoon the Reverend and A. K. Odland of Torquay, president of the circuit, introduced the theme, Revelations 3:1-6, a heartsearching text.

On Saturday evening the W. M. F. of the circuit presented its program. Everyone greatly appreciated having Mrs. Laura Brun, W. M. F. president of the Canada district present; and her splendid paper, "Go Tell in Love" was an inspiration.

The divine worship on Sunday morning was conducted by the Re-

verend Stolee; the sermon was preached by the Reverend R. Dahle-Melsether of Mossbank, Sask. The mission sermon Sunday afternoon was preached by the Rev. S. D. Sorgen of Lake Alma, Sask., and the Rev. A. K. Odland closed the session with emphasis on home mission work. A devotional meeting Sunday evening brought the circuit meeting to a close.

The executive committee was re-elected: pres., Rev. A. K. Odland of Torquay; vice pres., Rev. E. E. Hoff of Moose Jaw; secretary, Rev. S. D. Sorgen of Lake Alma; treasurer, Rev. R. Dahle-Melsether of Mossbank; financial secretary, H. L. Egland of Midale.

Feeling the demand for more Bible study in our midst, the Moose Jaw circuit decided to conduct a Bible course for one month annually. The plan is to conduct this course in a different parish each year; this winter it will be conducted in Torquay, Sask., during the month of February. The faculty will consist of the pastors in the circuit.

S. D. Sorgen, secretary.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LUTHER LEAGUE

Rev. A. M. Vinge, Editor,
Fairy Glen, Sask.

A Good Listener

"Was it a good sermon this morning?" asked mother, who stayed at home Sunday morning with the baby.

"I don't know. To tell the truth, mother, I didn't listen to much of it. I think our preacher is not a very interesting preacher," said Annette, rather wearily.

Mother said nothing for minute, then she added softly: "Perhaps you might help him to preach better by being a good listener. Your old uncle was just an ordinary preacher. But he said he could always preach a good sermon if he saw that everyone in the church was listening. If he noticed that someone was not listening, it threw him off the track."

That is one way that you can help your minister — by being good listeners.

—Exchange.

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"BOOKS YOU SHOULD READ"

Personal Evangelism, Pastor A. W. Knock, teacher L. B. I. in Minneapolis, Minn.

Soul-winning is the work of every believer. This book sets forth in a very practical way how to "diagnose" and "prescribe" for spiritual ailments. How much we need to know that!

This book is divided into two parts. The first part deals with the Worker, and discusses qualifications, Equipment, Methods, and Opportunities. The second part gives instruction in dealing with the various spiritual conditions found in the "Inquirers." The material is very helpful.

A decidedly fine and original feature are the questions (about a dozen) at the beginning of each chapter. Here are samples:

"What help in doing personal work will it be to truly believe that God's Word works?"

"May tact in approach be acquired? How?"

How many the Sunday School be used as a means to win souls for Christ?"

"Why are opportunities for soul winning very often not recognized until afterwards?"

A dollar invested in this book is money well spent. Send for it to Augsburg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minn. or to L. B. I. Minneapolis, Minn.

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The Luther League Project.

It is encouraging to note the growth of the Youth Movement of our church in Canada. An increasing number of pastors and christian leaders are realizing that we have in the Y.P.L.L. a youth reorganization which with respect to scriptural loyalty, spiritual leadership, consecrated membership and efficiency of organization is unique in a modern church. The large conventions held to bring about a new baptism of fire for our entire church. The Bible Camps, the pocket

Testament, the Search the Scriptures movement, the carefully prepared topics published in the Better League Quarterly, the pamphlets and helps published by the general office of this organization have made it possible to conduct young peoples meetings in the congregation on a higher plane than was thought possible a few years ago. This organization has accepted a challenge to win and to hold our youth for Christ from the confirmation age into mature manhood and womanhood. Let us give it our support.

All the organized activities in which the Y.P.L.L. is engaged is called its Project. Contributions for it are solicited from all leagues in our church. Although canadian leagues have not contributed large sums, it is nevertheless that during the last four years there has been an encrease both in the sums contributed, and the number of leagues contributing, as the following figures will show:

Contributions to the Project of the Y.P.L.L. from Canada District. 1931—\$35.00. 1932—\$64.00. 1933—\$102.35. 1934—\$137.80.

Total No. of Leagues Contr.: 1931—3. 1932—10. 1933—17. 1934—28.

Our aim has been to have every league contribute something to the Project every year. It need not be a large contribution, but the majority of the leagues should not give less than \$5. p. annum. While we have not apportioned Canada's share among the various circuits we have in the past endeavored to raise \$50.00 in each of the Saskatchewan circuits and \$25.00 in Manitoba. Now that the Alberta circuits have joined the League it should be possible to raise similar sums there.

In conclusion just this request to all Luther Leagues: At your first meeting this fall see that a motion is made to the effect that your league contribute a certain sum annually to the Project. Where the money is available have your treasurer forward it to Young Peoples' Luther League, 425 Fourth St. So., Minneapolis, Minn.

—K. Bergsagel.

MEDITATION

"And the spirit cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him."

Mark 9:26.

Evil never surrenders its hold without a sore fight. We never pass into any spiritual inheritance through the delightful exercises of apicnic, but always through the grim contentions of the battle field. It is so in the secret realm of the soul. Every faculty which wins its spiritual freedom does so at the price of blood. Apollyon is not put to flight by a courteous request; he straddles across the full breadth of the way, and our progress has to be registered in blood and tears. This we must remember or we shall add to all the other burdens of life the gall of misinterpretation. We are not "born again" into soft and protected nurseries, but in the open country where we suck strength from the very terror of the tempest, "We must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."

—Jowett.

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The Subscription Drive

Luther League President — it depends on you. With your sample copies and the co-operation of your leaguers, It should be possible to send in a great many subscription to Hyrden. The success in your community in this drive depends on a systematic and well-planned drive. Let this slogan be in mind "Hyrden in every home."

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By the response to the Bible Questions last month there seems to be a desire that this continue to be a feature of our page. Thank you.

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Bible Questions

1. Where are the words, "Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow" found?
2. What was the name of the man elected to take the place of Judas Iscariot?
3. How many times is the name "Christ" found in the epistle to the Philippians? (King James Version.)

4. How many times does a two lettered word, setting forth that the Holy Spirit is a person, occur in John 16?
5. In what fishing incident recorded in the Gospels were the great number of fish counted?

Correct answers to October Questions:

1. His brother Andrew. John 1.
2. Ananias and Saphira. Acts 5.
3. On the island of Melita. Acts 28.
4. 137 times.
5. Samson. Judges chap. 16.

Correct answers sent in by: Mrs. S. Birkeland, Lea Park, Alta.; Alice Johnson, Oungre, Sask.; Arthur Jothan, Govan, Sask.; Alma Nelson, Maxim, Sask.; Emma Rokke, Weldon, Sask.

Kindly send all answers to, Pastor A. M. Vinge, Rairy Glen, Sask.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FEDERATION

Mrs. S. B. BRUN, Editor,
Broderick, Sask.

Kikungshan, Honan, China
August 6, 1935.

Dear Friends:-

"My grace IS sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

The Lord gave me a safe and pleasant journey all the way from Chicago to Fancheng, over 10,000 miles. I sailed from San Francisco April 27 and reached Fancheng May 29.

I can't express the feeling of being back again after an absence of four years, I am so unworthy of this great blessing. Please pray that I may be a winner of souls. How I rejoiced to hear testimonies from many as to what the Lord had done for them during the revivals. I visited in many homes in Fancheng, at three outstations and one preaching place. On July 1st we left for Kikungshan to attend our Annual Conference, get away from the great heat for four or five weeks and prepare for the year's work.

We did not know that a few days later some of these friends would be in eternity because of the great flood that inundated the land, laying waste large areas making thousands homeless and claiming thousands of lives.

"Hankow Herald" July 28th states: "The water in Fancheng began to rise on the 5th, and a terrific winstorm on the 6th together with considerable rain caused the whole city to be 10 to 20 feet under water within 2 hours. The city wall was destroyed and great damage done to property. On the 9th the water began to subside."

"Hankow Herald" July 31: Yangtze Flood Loss of \$500,000,000.00, 10,000,000 homeless. 100,000 sq. li of farmland under water. Of the 4 provinces inspected, Kiangsi, Hupeh, Honan and Anhwei, the province of Hupeh has been the most seriously affected."

Below you will find excerpts telling of the terrible catastrophe.

From a Bible woman in Fancheng: "May the Lord be constantly with you. Thanks be to God Who did not let us drown. The water soon rose to the roof in the two rooms I occupied in Higher Primary compound. So I helped to rush the people across the yard through the water (I carried some of them) to a higher building. Of the 41 persons living in the yard, 4 were drowned, Mrs. Wu Ying (wife of Pastor Wu) 2 sons and one daughter. With my head and shoulder I succeeded in breaking two rafters and some tiles, and by piling up some empty beds and doing some lifting, 37 persons reached the roof (two of these were men). There we sat in pouring rain a night and half a day, calling on the Lord for help."

From other sources we learn that a heathen boatman was strongly moved to come around that section with his boat, feeling that someone needed him. The people called out to him for help which he offered freely and landed the boatload at a temple near our station. There a beggar had saved a little rice gruel in a bowl. The crying children were given a mouthful each. The Bible woman continues:

"My body is now swollen so that I cannot write much. The Lord has sent this great calamity upon China

because of our sins. We have no food. The wheat in the country has been washed away. The Lord who saved us from drowning will not let us starve to death. Rice will no doubt be coming in from other places in a few days. Rice tickets are already being given out. I secured a rice ticket just like the regular beggars. The hunger-stricken people in Fancheng are numerous. Hundreds of houses have fallen and many people have perished in the flood."

From an evangelist in Fancheng:

"My wife's family lived in lower part of city. Of members, only 1 escaped death. Perhaps about 200 have perished in the city. About 1/20 of the houses have fallen. More than half of the surrounding villages have been leveled. Pigs, cows, horses, chickens, dogs, all have washed away. We do not know many people have been drowned."

A teacher writes from Chutiaopu Outstation, 10 miles from Fancheng:

"On July 6th in the night the water rose suddenly to about 10 ft. above the river bank. Houses fell without number. Half of South St. is washed clean of everything. Alas! my heart is sick. My hand is shaking. The cry of 'Save Life! Help! Help!' was heard day and night. About 100 were drowned in the town, including over 30 church members. Among those in great distress, in great suffering, most to be pitied, cleaned out of everything, who are worse off than ye? My home became like a little river and now, 10 days later, the water is still 6 — 7 feet deep. Where the house stood is now a deep pit—everything washed away. Two of my girls were drowned. I floated 5 li and my wife 1 li, when we were picked up. My son and my oldest daughter were saved from the big waves. We were raised from death to life. Praise the Lord, but I fear we will not be able to live. Why? If we do not die of hunger, we may die from pestilence. If a friend had not brought us a few beans and some flour, we would have been dead before this. Not a kernel of grain left. I think of former days when we had 3 meals a day. Now we eat a few dry beans and drink some muddy water. I have become like Lazarus. Although I have no big boils, we can't escape the small ones. We have no change of clothing, no stockings, no shoes."

July 20th: I am in Siangyang Hospital to get some medicine. I thought we might be able to live in the little kitchen, the only place left of the Gospel Hall houses in Chutiaopu. It would serve as a covering from the rain and the sun, but I think it will take about a month to clean out the mud as I am so weak eating only moulded beans that I cannot work more than about an hour a day. We are worse off than beggars and just keep on crying. We still keep praying and at times feel comforted. I have received a great lesson from this calamity. I now understand that my wife is not mine; my children are not mine; my house is not mine; my land is not mine; my body and soul are not mine. All belong to God. Job said: 'Naked came I out of my mother's womb and naked shall I return thither: the Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' We cannot stop the preaching of the Gospel, nor can we advantage of this great opportunity to discontinue our schools. We must take to do itinerating work."

One of our Fancheng Women Bible School teachers writes from Niusheo, an outstation about 15 miles from Fancheng:

"The young teacher here was drowned in the river. A few days before he had taken a little orphan boy with him for the summer. The great flood came on Sat. the 6th. Twelve of us climbed on top of the house that had collapsed. As the water rose higher and higher, we asked the Lord to wash our hearts clean repeated Isa. 43:2 and sang 'There's a land that is Fairer than Day.' The little orphan's voice was rather weak. We were led by the Lord to swim across, to a house about 10 ft. away from us, as that was a little higher. How we get across the deep water is a miracle as none of us could swim. We sat on the roof Sat. night and all

JUL I NORGE



DET ER SANDT SOM SAGT:

Den største gleden, en kan berede sine kjære i det gamle land er å komme langveisfra på besøk ved juletid. Og ens egen glede er ikke mindre. Bare de tre Ord Jul i Norge bringer ens barndoms og ungdomsminner frem.

Slut Dem til

NORSKELINJENS STORE HJEMLANDSFERD

med ss STAVANGERFJORD fra
New York den 11te December

Avreise fra Winnipeg den 8de December, og med ekstratog fra Minneapolis den 9de direkte til skibssiden. Bestyrer Peter Myrvold ved Norkselinjens Winnipegkontor ledsaker freden til Norge

Tilskriv

DEN NORSKE AMERIKALINJE
278 Main Street, — Winnipeg, Man.

Sunday. We were saved."

Miss Ackerson writes from Siangyang (across the Han River from Fancheng):

"I expected to leave here on the 3rd, but the rain came. We are in a flood, and it is God's grace that we are on a high place. Sun. morning, the 7th, the water was pouring over the river bank like a roaring fall. All the fields were covered and the water rising with surprising rapidity. The water came as far as our hospital sties, half-way to edge of the 2nd step. The people who came up here, out fishing up things brought down by the river: Poles, boards, chairs, tables, beds, pumpkins, dead people and partly dead, dead and living cows. Of the village next to us there is nothing left but a heap of debris in the water. The people from all around here came in and brought their animals: horses, cows, donkeys, goats, pigs and chickens in big baskets. Our compound is like a big pasture. The hospital porch is full of animals that we haul off every time we come there. Our hospital is filled. They are sitting with bundles as tight as they can. In all we cared for about 1000 people, all wet and soaked and muddy. Indescribable!"

Mr. Chang, the milkman from Fancheng came over this P. M. (July 10th) with a sad story of the destruction up around there. He and his folks were all saved, but their house and things were gone. He had saved 2 cows and 1 calf. His old father was in the house to the last, trying to save things. The son waded to his waist and succeeded in pulling out the father just before the house crashed. There were about 200 people upstairs at Landahls' place and the Changs were there too, but when he came back with his father there was no room. So they went into the temple, and there they stood in water to the middle of their chests till the water receded. He said the water was still knee-deep in back street, Fancheng."

Rev. Wu Ying has been up here a couple of weeks. He said: "It was a great shock to lose my wife and 3 children in the flood, only a couple of months after father left me, but God has given me peace in my heart, and this verse: 'What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt

know hereafter." He was in Sinyang with his 2 older daughters, when telegram came.

From a place called Chungsiang comes this story: "Farmer Wang, his wife and his old mother climbed to a roof-top to escape the flood. By some mischance their son and his wife got on to the roof next door, where there were 11 other people. For a day and a night they sat on the roofs watching with terror the crumbling of houses all around them. Suddenly Wang felt house sway beneath him. Shouting a warning, he clutched his wife's hand and jumped with her into the branches of a tree several feet away. They saw old mother sink in swirl of waters. A moment later roof with 13 was severed from its house and swept down the current. For 3 days and nights Wang and his wife clung to their tree. When the waters subsided, Wang started out in search of son and his wife. None of all the groups of refugees had seen them, but a week later the 13 who had been carried away on the roof reappeared, sunscorched, caked in mud, almost lifeless with hunger. The thatch roof had varried them 60 li."

Latest news from Taipingtien: In the district 2 miles surrounding Taip, about 1500 have perished and 1/10 of the homes have been swept away. In the city about 140 have been drowned. Of the houses, only 2 are standing, 2/3 have crumbled, 1/3 swept away. Sixteen church members have been reported drowned. Only church and foreign house standing in Miss. Comp.

In a couple of weeks we hope to be back to Fancheng and Taipingtien. We do not know what awaits us, but have His promise: "Lo, I am with you always." Jesus. — PRAY FOR THIS FAMILIE AND PESTILENCE STRICKEN PEOPLE.

With sincere greeting to you all,
Yours in Christ,
Address: Therese Peterson,
Fancheng, Hupeh, China.

This letter to the General Board is of such general interest and gives such a touching description of the recent floods that we pass it on to our readers. L. B.